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CHISHOLM/CUMBERLAND WRECK SITE  
Lake Superior near the shores of Isle Royale  
Isle Royale  
Keweenaw County  
Michigan

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Location: Lake Superior near the shores of Isle Royale  
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Date of Construction: **HENRY CHISHOLM** - 1880 (wrecked 1898)  
**CUMBERLAND** - 1871 (wrecked 1877)

Type of Structure: **HENRY CHISHOLM** - Wooden Steam-Powered Bulk Freighter  
**CUMBERLAND** - Wooden Side-Wheel Steamer

Use: **HENRY CHISHOLM** - tow barge / bulk freight  
**CUMBERLAND** - passenger and package  
(now Archeological and Recreational)

Designer/  
Engineer: **HENRY CHISHOLM** -  
**CUMBERLAND** - Toronto and Lake Superior Navigation Company

Fabricator/  
Builder: **HENRY CHISHOLM** - Thomas Quayle's Sons, Cleveland, Ohio  
**CUMBERLAND** - Melancthon Simpson, Port Robinson, Ontario

Owner: Federal Government  
**HENRY CHISHOLM** -  
**CUMBERLAND** - Toronto and Lake Superior Navigation Company

Significance: The shipwrecks located within the archipelago of Isle Royale represent many types and stages of the development of maritime steam technology. Vessel types include passenger steamers, bulk, and package freighters of both wood and steel hulls. The subarctic environment of Lake Superior has preserved much of the wrecks structure and cargo, which makes for ideal research conditions.

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